

vessels. The Thirty-sixth Regiment and their associates in the garrison saved many steamers and millions of dollars worth of valuable property, arms, clothing, provisions, etc., which composed the cargoes of these steamers and of those run ashore to prevent capture. Among the many vessels saved by timely assistance are now recalled the Cornubia, Don, Venus, Banshee, Ad-Vance, Sumter, Nighthawk, Kate, Annie and Little Hattie. The garrison participated in the capture and destruction of the United States steamer Columbia, which got ashore off Masonboro Inlet, 14 January, 1863.

In the engagements incident to the defense of blockade running, a number of Federal officers and men were killed and captured and some valuable boats were secured by the garrison of Fort Fisher.

In the latter part of July, 1863, the British steamship Kate was run ashore on Smith's Island, some six miles south of Fort Fisher, and taken possession of by the United States steamer Penobscot, when a company of the Thirty-sixth, with a Whitworth cannon detachment proceeded to the island, drove the enemy off, and re-captured the vessel, just in time to prevent her being blown up by powder placed in the cabin with an ignited slow match. Eleven blockaders, the fleet of both inlets, were driven off by this gun, which on the open beach was so well served, that nearly every shot took effect and the blockaders could not afford to be seriously damaged in the contention over a craft they expected at any moment would be blown up. Her cargo was saved and all her machinery removed and sent to Richmond, where it was used in the ram Texas. The empty hull was gotten off at night and an attempt made to sail into New Inlet, but becoming becalmed, three miles from the mound battery, she was cut out by two Federal blockaders on 1 August, but not until the enemy's vessels were injured with loss of life and the wounding of some of their men.

In defending the wreck of the Hebe from the attack of the United States frigate Minnesota and gunboat James Adger, Private Daniel Holland, of Company B, was killed and several wounded 23 August, 1863, five miles north of Fort